

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A surge protector comprising:
an insulating member having a conductive film divided
5 by a discharge gap interposed therebetween;
a pair of main discharge electrode members opposite to
each other contacting the conductive film;
an insulating tube fitted to the pair of main discharge
electrode members opposite to each other to seal both the
10 insulating member and a sealing gas inside thereof; and
oxide films formed on main discharge surfaces of the
pair of main discharge electrode members by performing an
oxidation treatment.
- 15 2. A surge protector according to claim 1, comprising:
a column-shaped insulating member having a conductive
film divided by a discharge gap interposed in an
intermediate of a peripheral surface;
a pair of main discharge electrode members opposite to
20 each other on both ends of the insulating member contacting
the conductive film;
an insulating tube fitted to the pair of main discharge
electrode members opposite to each other to seal both the
insulating member and a sealing gas inside thereof,
25 wherein the main discharge electrode members comprise:

peripheral portions attached to end faces of the
insulating tube by brazing filler metal;

protrusive supporting portions protruding toward an
inside and an axial direction of the insulating tube and
5 supporting the insulating member in the radial inner surface
thereof, and

oxide films formed on main discharge surfaces of the
protrusive supporting portions of the pair of main discharge
electrode members opposite to each other, by performing an
10 oxidation treatment.

3. The surge protector according to claim 1 or 2,
wherein each of the oxide films has an average
thickness in the range of 0.01 to 2.0 μm .

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4. The surge protector according to any one of claims
1 to 3,

wherein the main discharge electrode members contain Cr
enriched on the surface of the oxide films.

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